State of New Hampshire Banking Department

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) Case No.: 06-087

) Notice of Hearing - Cease and Desist
) Order

Petitioner,

and

MAK Investments LLC, Brian Colsia,

Gabe Cohen and Laura Cohen,

In re the Marriage of:

Department,

State of New Hampshire Banking

 ${\tt Respondents}$

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to RSA 397-A:18 II, the Banking Department of the State of New Hampshire (hereinafter the "Department") has the authority to issue and cause to be served an order requiring any person engaged in any act or practice constituting a violation of RSA 397-A or any rule or order thereunder, to cease and desist from violations of RSA 397-A.

Pursuant to RSA 397-A:21, the Commissioner has the authority to suspend, revoke or deny any license and to impose administrative penalties of up to \$2,500.00 for each violation of New Hampshire banking law and rules.

Pursuant to the New Hampshire Banking laws, RSA 397-A:3 requires any person not exempt under RSA 397-A:4 that, in its own name or on behalf of other persons, engages in the business of making or brokering first mortgage loans secured by real property located in this state shall be required to obtain a license from the banking department.

Pursuant to RSA 383:10-d The commissioner shall have exclusive authority and jurisdiction to investigate conduct that is or may be an unfair or

deceptive act or practice under RSA 358-A and exempt under RSA 358-A:3, I or that may violate any of the provisions of Titles XXXV and XXXVI and administrative rules adopted thereunder. The commissioner may hold hearings relative to such conduct and may order restitution for a person or persons adversely affected by such conduct.

The Department issued the Respondent a Cease and Desist Order on June 29, 2006 and an Amended Cease and Desist Order on November 14, 2006. The Respondent filed a timely request for a hearing regarding this matter.

The Department alleges the following:

- **Issue 1:** Whether MAK Investements et al are required to obtain licensure in order to take mortgage deeds as security for consumer loans.
- **Issue 2:** Whether MAK Investments et al must permanently Cease and Desist from engaging in mortgage banking activities.
- Issue 3: Whether MAK Investments et al's action requiring consumers to make their first mortgage payments to MAK Investments, and MAK Investments' forwarding those payments to the creditors constitutes unlicensed Debt Adjustment pursuant to RSA 399-D.
- Issue 4: Whether the Department is entitled to a permanent Cease and Desist Order against MAK Investments et al from engaging in Debt Adjustment services.
- Issue 5: Whether Restitution should issue.

Accordingly, an adjudicative proceeding shall be commenced pursuant to 541-A:31 and Chapter 200 of the Department's rules (NH Code of Administrative Rules BAN 200) for the purpose of permitting the Respondent to show compliance with RSA 397-A:3, 399-D, and 383:10-d.

Each party has the right to have an attorney present to represent the party at the party's expense, or may represent itself. Each party has the right to have the Department provide a certified shorthand court reporter at

the requesting party's expense. Any such request must be submitted in writing to the Department at least 10 days prior to a scheduled hearing date.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, that the Respondent appear before the New Hampshire Banking Department on March 19, 2007 at 10:00 am, at the Department's offices at 64B Old Suncook Road, Concord, New Hampshire, for the purpose of participating in an adjudicative proceeding, at which time the Respondent will have the opportunity to demonstrate why the cease and desist order should not become permanent; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that if the Respondent elects to be represented by Counsel, said Counsel shall file notice of appearance at the earliest possible date; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that James Shepard, Staff Attorney, New Hampshire Banking Department is designated as Hearing Counsel in this matter with authority to represent the public interest within the scope of the Department's authority. Hearing Counsel shall have the status of a party to this proceeding; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Commissioner shall designate a member of the Department, who shall serve as the Presiding Officer in this proceeding and shall issue a RECOMMENDED DECSISION in this matter which shall be reviewed and approved, disapproved or modified by the Bank Commissioner; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that any proposed exhibits shall be pre-marked, for identification only, and filed with the Department and provided to the opposing party as soon as possible. Hearing Counsel shall pre-mark the Department's exhibits with Arabic numbers. The Respondent People shall pre-mark exhibits with capital letters. An index/list of exhibits providing a brief description of each exhibit with its corresponding pre-marked number or letter shall be filed by both parties simultaneous with the filing of exhibits; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the parties shall exchange a list of all exhibits and witnesses to be called at the hearing with a brief summary prior to March 16, 2007, and shall at the same time file a copy of their respective witness lists with the Presiding Officer; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that all periods referenced in this notice shall be calendar days. If the last day of the period so computed falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the time period shall be extended to include the first business day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Department shall burden of setting forth a prima fascia case, then the Respondent shall have the burden of showing compliance with applicable law by a preponderance of the evidence;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Respondent's failure to appear at the time, date, and place specified may result in the hearing being held in absentia and/or default ruling in favor of the Department, without further notice or opportunity to be heard; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the entirety of all oral proceedings shall be recorded verbatim by the Banking Department. Upon request of any party, or upon the Presiding Officer's own initiative, such record shall be transcribed by a certified court reporter designated by the Presiding Officer, and that all costs shall be borne solely by the requesting party. Any such request shall be submitted in writing to the Presiding Officer prior to hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that all documents shall be filed with the Presiding Officer in the form of an original and one (1) copy and shall bear a certification that a copy is being delivered to Hearing Counsel and any other parties to this matter in accordance with NH Code of Administrative Rules Ban 204.08. All documents shall be filed by mailing or delivering them to the New Hampshire Banking Department, ATTN: Presiding Officer, 64-B Old Suncook Road,

Concord, NH 03301. Filing by facsimile or electronic transmission shall not be accepted; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the parties may submit Proposed Orders, which shall include findings of fact and conclusions of law, separately stated, no later than ten (10) days following conclusion of the hearing(s) in this matter; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that routine procedural inquiries may be made by telephoning Maryam Torben-Desfosses at (603)-271-3561, but all other communications with the Presiding Officer and with the Department shall be in writing and shall be filed as provided above. Ex parte communications are forbidden by statute; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this Notice of hearing shall be mailed to Wilbur Glahn, Esquire on behalf of MAK Investments, LLC and Brian Colisa, 900 Elm Street, PO Box 326, Manchester, NH, 03105-0326 and that a copy shall also be delivered to James Shepard, Hearing Counsel, and to the Presiding Officer, at the New Hampshire Banking Department. In addition copies of the Notice of Hearing shall also be delivered to Mr. Gabe Cohen and Mrs. Laura Cohen, P.O. Box 10484, Bedford, NH 03110.

SO ORDERED,

2/16/07 /S/ Peter C. Hildreth

Commissioner State of New Hampshire Banking Department

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